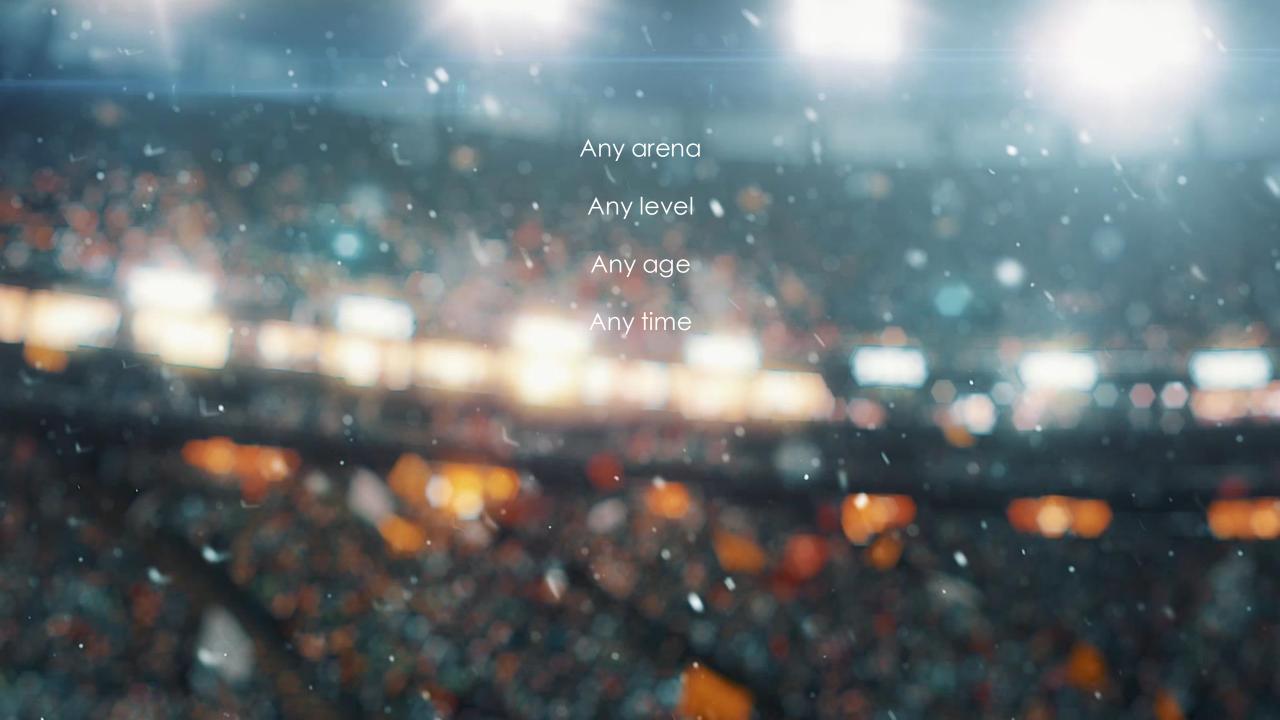


A Quick Stroll thru the World of Sports Medicine Ethics

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Role of SM Doc vs Role of Fan

Welfare of Athlete vs Welfare of Team/Organization

Welfare of Athlete vs Wishes of Athlete

Welfare of Athlete vs Wishes of Family/Support Group

Athlete self-determination and responsibility

Factors and obstacles

- MONEY
- WHAT'S AT STAKE
- EMPLOYER/EMPL OYEE RELATIONSHIP
- INJURY
- PAST MEDICAL HISTORY
- AGE
- POINT IN CAREER
- MEDICAL UNDERSTANDING



Cases

13 YO FEMALE COMPETITIVE SWIMMER

Recently fallen off her times, lost interest

School performance has diminished

Parents very concerned – much investment

Lost 10 pounds in last 2 months

19 yo collegiate discus-thrower

Told he must increase strength and weight

Can you help him "stack" anabolic steroids?

- Wants to be 'safe' and be monitored
- Season starts in 9 months

18 yo male gymnast

S/P neck fusion for injury suffered 1 year ago

Neurosurgeon and TP agree – career disqualification

Independent neurosurgeon

– cleared to participate

20 yo Collegiate Wrestler – Herpes + Recent discovery – Herpes +

No history of skin lesions

Ranked #2 in weight class in country

NCAA tourney begins in 2 days

No one else has knowledge of this

Case of the Rival Concussion

Covering a home high school FB game

Opposing player sustains a concussion with momentary LOC

Rapid recovery ensues and is asymptomatic within 15 minutes

Athlete is starting quarterback and best player on the team

Game is playoff; winner moves on

Opposing trainer says that "he's good to go"

PMHx – has had 2 other mTBIs this season

25 yo female triathlete with diffuse anterior thigh pain

- Expected to win qualifying triathalon in 1 day
- No pain on weight-bearing, but unrelenting pain after a mile of running (no pain swimming or biking)
- Xrays reveal a femoral neck fx
- Patient desires to run and is willing to take the risk
- Support people are urging her to run
- Parents are against her running

Case of the Pregnant Center

- 17 yo female star center on high school basketball team
- Presents with amenorrhea X 2 months
- Sexually active boyfriend uses condoms
- Appropriate testing confirms a pregnancy
- She does not want her parents, boyfriend, coach, teammates, or school to know
- She wishes to compete this season which begins this week



20 yo male basketball player